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1955 Bible Camp Schedule

Augustana Academy, Canton, South Dakota
May 30-June 2. Yankton-Vermillion Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Clifford Nelson, Beresford, South Dakota, Dean.

Badlands Bible Camp, Medora North Dakota
Rev. Lambert Locker, Belfield, North Dakota, Dean.

Best's Grove, Claresholm, Alberta, Canada
July 3-10. Southern Alberta Circuit Luther League Bible Camp; Rev. G. I. Hope, 202 8th Street S. W., Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada, Dean.

Blackduck Bible Camp, Blackduck Minnesota
June 26-July 2. Bemidji Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Karsten Ulvilden, Puposky, Minnesota, Dean.
July 4-9. Twin Valley Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. C. Holm, Hitterdal, Minnesota, Dean.
July 10-16. Bemidji Circuit Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. Rolf Aaseng, 112 S. Park Avenue, Park Rapids, Minnesota, Dean.

Blackhills Lutheran Bible Camp, Nemo South Dakota
August 21-27. Black Hills-Lemmon Circuits Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12); Rev. Arne Kvaalen, Timber Lake, South Dakota, Dean.

Camp Chrysalis, Kerrville, Texas
August 21-27 Texas Circuit Bible Camp (grades 12-post-hi); Dr. R. Hamilton, 5843 Goliad, Dallas, Texas, Dean.

Camp Colton, Colton, Oregon
August 7-13. American Conference Junior Bible Camp.
August 14-20. American Conference Intermediate Bible Camp.
August 21-27. American Conference Senior Bible Camp.
August 28-September 4. American Conference Luther League Camp.

Camp Emmaus, Menahga, Minnesota
June 12-19. Moorhead Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. C. F. Turmo, Hawley, Minnesota, Dean.
June 19-26. Moorhead Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8); Rev. S. Sorgen, 1224 3rd Street South, Moorhead, Minnesota, Dean.

Camp Norge, New City, New York
July 1-8. Atlantic District Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Carl Sheie, 92 Liberty P., Weehawken, New Jersey, Dean.
August 26-September 2. Atlantic District Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. James Ericksen, 282 Van Buren Avenue, Teaneck, New Jersey, Dean.

Camp Teepeetonka, Big Stone City, South Dakota
June 12-19. First Lutheran Church Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10); Alida Storaasli, 807½ South Minnesota Avenue, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Dean.

Christopher Lake Bible Camp, Christopher Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada
July 4-11. Prince Albert Circuit family Bible Camp; Rev. A. J. Severson, Birch Hills, Saskatoon, Dean.
July 11-18. Prince Albert Circuit Luther League Bible Camp; Rev. James Engen, Parkside, Sask., Dean.

Covenant Cedars Bible Camp, R.F.D. 1, Clarks, Nebraska
August 15-21. Omaha-Kansas Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Eugene Wekander, Dannebrog, Nebraska, Rev. Woodrow Wilson, Albion, Nebraska, Co-Deans.

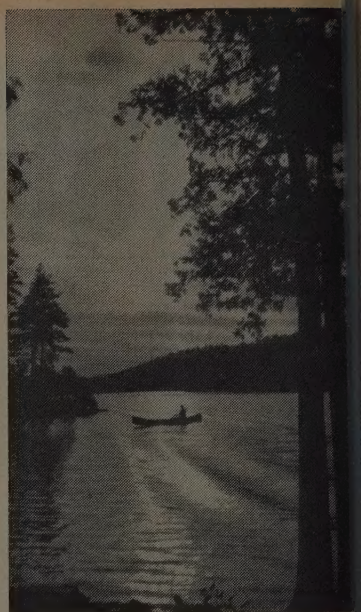
Crooked Lake Bible Camp, Hatley, Wisconsin
June 12-18. Green Bay Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. C. J. Tellekson, 329 S. Chestnut, Green Bay, Wisconsin, Dean.
July 4-8. Central Wisconsin-Lemonweir Circuits Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. Jack Olson, Larsen, Wisconsin, Dean.
July 10-16. Central Wisconsin-Lemonweir Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. E. W. Quam, Iola, Wisconsin, Dean.
July 17-23. Central Wisconsin Circuit family Bible Camp.

Flathead Lake Lutheran Bible Camp, Lakeside, Montana
July 10-16. Great Falls-Havre Circuits Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8-9); Rev. Rolf G. Hanson, Box 66, Havre, Montana, Dean.
July 17-23. Great Falls-Havre Circuits Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. A. L. Edmonds, 618 W. Corcoran St., Lewistown, Montana, Dean.
July 24-31. Intermountain Circuit Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. C. O. Anderson, Bonner, Montana, Dean.
August 21-28. Intermountain-Rocky Mt. Circuits Bible Camp (family); Rev. John Spencer, Box 824, Dillon, Montana, Dean.

Green Lake Bible Camp, Spicer, Minnesota
June 19-25. Blue Earth-Willmar Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. A. Bidne, Paynesville, Minnesota, Dean.
June 26-July 2. Rock Valley Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12); Rev. Milo E. Lee, Renville, Minnesota, Dean.
July 3-10. Montevideo Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9); Rev. Lowell O. Larson, Morris, Minnesota, Dean.
July 10-16. Goodhue Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. H. E. Everson, Zumbrota, Minnesota, Dean.
July 17-23. Albert Lea Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Carl J. Hanson, Emmons, Minnesota, Dean.
July 31-August 6. St. Paul Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9-10-11-12); Rev. Art Odden, Stillwater, Minnesota, Dean.

Hastings Lake, Lindbrook, Alberta, Canada
July 4-10. Camrose-Edmonton Circuits family Bible Camp.
July 11-17. Camrose-Edmonton Circuits Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. R. Melsness, Wetaskiwin, Alta., Canada, Dean.

Ingham Lake Lutheran Bible Camp, Wallingford, Iowa
June 19-24. Eagle Grove-Estherville Circuits



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Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. M. [illegible] Foehringer, Ruthven, Iowa, Dean.
June 26-July 1. Eagle Grove-Estherville Circuits Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. Ly[illegible] Shaw, Sioux Rapids, Iowa, Dean.
July 3-8. Eagle Grove-Estherville Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Swen Thompson, Badger, Iowa, Dean.
July 10-15. Eagle Grove-Estherville Circuit Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. Harla[illegible] Blockhus, Armstrong, Iowa, Dean.

Lake of the Woods Bible Camp, Baudette, Minnesota
June 26-July 2. Thief River Falls-Crookston Circuits Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Ray Brandt, Holt, Minnesota, Dean.
July 3-9. Thief River Falls-Crookston Circuit Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8-9); Rev. Me[illegible] Sucher, Warren, Minnesota, Dean.

Lake Shetek Bible Camp, Slayton, Minnesota
June 19-25. Soo Falls-Soo City Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. C. [illegible] Sandbeck, Lennox, South Dakota, Dean.
June 26-July 1. Yankton-Vermillion Circuit Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. I. J. Lovseth, Irene, South Dakota, Dean.
July 3-9. Windom Circuit Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Lein, Windom, Minnesota, Dean.
July 10-16. Luverne Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Gordon E. Rasmussen, Jasper, Minnesota, Dean.
August 7-13. Minneapolis Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12).

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Bible Camp Frontiers

Dar Roa
Youth Evangelism, ELC

"I wish I could stay here all my life," sighs one girl to another as they leave Bible Camp.

Over 17,000 spent a week in God's Word last summer at our 127 camps. The average age was 14½. Average cost per camper $12. Alert congregations are planning now to subsidize a camp experience for their confirmands and Leaguers. Can you find your camp listed on the opposite page?

A typical camper wrote to his pastor, "I want to thank you deeply for sending me to camp. I am happy now since I know I am a Christian." To his, we add our gratitude to God for our splendid camps. For over a generation youth has met Christ in camps all around the country. Yet, more effective camping is our continual concern.

Frontiers still challenged progressive camp leaders. Four exciting developments are mentioned here.

Youth Participation: Lutheran leaders capitalize on our privileged "priesthood of believers." Camp planning and living is enriched as a youth committee meets with pastors monthly before camp and daily in camp. This group plans and prays about every detail. Youth learns to lead by leading.

Group Methods: Campers see the Bible burst alive through group study methods. To lecture on what I find in my Bible is study for me, but merely sitting for youth. This is not Lutheran methodology. Genuine *pastors* guide others into personal Bible discoveries. Variations of the "Norge" and Västerås" methods provide more transfer value. Individual study in camp tends to stimulate daily personal study at home. Since a group approach takes more time, the curriculum fortunately crowds out subjects more appropriate for seminarians. Still vital are periods discussing youth problems.

Community Guidance: "The communion of saints" becomes vividly vibrant as campers live together in a Scripture-saturated week. Broken homes and understaffed churches starve youth for *fellowship*. This unique Christian experience is developed in camps that build cabin cells rather than dormitory herds.

To cultivate a sense of Christian community, more young adults volunteer as counselors. The American Camping Association recommends one counselor for every six campers. Since our purpose is not external first-aid but internal soul-surgery, as needed, camps are enlarging counsel or staffs. More opportunities for group guidance are being offered. For example, the usual afternoon "Quiet Time" has become a cabin time of guided discussion.

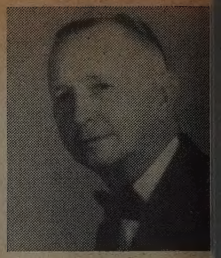
Camp Integration: Amazing fruit from our camp challenges us to camp more effectively. Local initiative deserves credit for our campsites. We need to build on local gains. Rampant local anarchy and rigid central authority are both distasteful. We are slowly moving from our present anarchy in camp integration toward the center of mutually helpful democracy. This is exceedingly urgent!

Is nothing being done about our haphazard camping? After several years of discussion a loose organization of local camps has taken shape on paper. This "National Bible Camp Association" needs leadership. Personnel needs salary. Source of such funds is logically the local camps who will benefit. Thus the local leaders assembled at the last camp conference agreed to send the Luther League office $1 per camper to activate this much-needed integration. Some camps are including the dollar in the registration fee. Others plan to take an offering during the week for this purpose. The Luther League staff has been able to devote only token time to camp leadership. The limited League budget allows only $400 for Bible camp co-ordination. The Boy Scouts of America operate their camps with one professional worker for every 800 campers. We have none for 17,000.

Leaders sensitive to this critical stage in our movement are hopeful that we can come to the merger with an integrated approach. ALC leadership urges central control of camps. We disagree. But we must prove to our merging brethren that local control is not current camp chaos but a developing integration.

The letter quoted before ends—"There are so many things I received at camp—finding Christ, making Christian friends, learning to lead—that I will be ever thankful to you for making camp possible for me."

Unwanted and Forgotten



Joseph O. Valtinson

But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. John 9:36.

It was one night after Church Membership class, that I invited one of the men to my office—just to talk. This is a part of his story.

He told me that he had been coming to church a few times when he was asked to take his car to bring some of the Sunday school children to a church in the northwest part of Chicago. The children were to sing in this church as a part of some program. When he arrived at the church, he saw that he was the only Negro in the place, and he decided that this was certainly not the place for him.

He was about to leave when a man came towards him, shook his hand, and led him toward the very front of this large and beautiful church. After the service he was invited down to the church parlors, to be seated at a table with both men and women. Not only did the men shake his hand and talk with him, but so did the women.

"Pastor," he said, "I have never felt so good or had a better time in my life, and I decided then and there, that if this is what Christ can do to the white people, I want Him too.

"The next day at work the boss asked what had happened to me, since I seemed so happy. I told him what had happened at the white man's church the night before, and added that if we of the dark-skinned race would take Jesus into our hearts too, we would gain the respect of the whites and perhaps they would treat us more kindly."

Here, in the middle of an area known as the near-skid row in Chicago, teeming with humanity, most of whom are dark skinned, you will find an entire family of six, eight, or even ten, trying to get along in a one-room apartment. A family will share with several other smaller or larger families on the same floor an unsanitary and repulsive so-called bathroom.

In some of the homes it seems as if they must eat, sleep, and even sit in shifts, since there are neither beds nor chairs enough for all to use at the same time.

Here, in the middle of this melting pot of humanity, where sin, need, and depravity flourish to the extreme, stands a large church building known as the Lutheran Home Rescue Mission. It is the only Lutheran mission of its kind in this great Chicago area. This mission has given out literally tons of food, clothing, and household goods to the many destitute who have come to its doors for help.

The Lord burdened a few pastors and laymen to see the needs of these people, their neighbors, the helpless and forgotten men and women. And so, in April of 1934, the Lutheran Home Rescue Mission was established. With a small beginning on the northwest side, it was soon moved to the skid row area of Madison Street, to spread the Gospel to the men and women of the street. New, rented quarters were secured in 1937 at the present location, 1701 West Monroe Street. This was purchased in 1941 at the low price of $8,000. In 1954 its appraised value was $84,000.

This area at that time included white families of a low level standard, living just a short distance from all the skid row hangouts—the liquor and gambling joints, the places of prostitution, and other dens of crime. These last years a tremendous change has been brought about in the population of this area; a change from white to colored. This change can be compared to a river overflowing its banks because of the abnormal amount of water forcing its way between the too narrow banks. Such is the condition in Chicago and many other American cities, where this unending movement of colored people from the south flows from the restricted colored areas, forcing its way from house to house and from street to street in a continuing stream.

This then is a small picture of the great influx of a bewildered and oppressed people coming to our very doors. What a challenge and opportunity for the Christian Church! Will our beloved ELC take action, or will our prejudices and our hypocrisies cause us to close our ears to the call, "Come over and help us"?

The building is large, with an auditorium of over 500 seating capacity, a large basement divided into large and small rooms, three apartments, and several other rooms. Not only has this been a much-needed arm of the Lutheran Church, but through the preaching of the Word several times a week and also through the Sunday school and Women's Bible class, countless numbers have begun a new life of faith in Christ Jesus—both the old and the young.

The beginning of the work at the Mission was under the direction of Mr. Obed Westphal, who is now a

THE FIRST COMMUNION SERVICE FOR THE CONGREGATION AT THE LUTHERAN HOME RESCUE MISSION

or in the Lutheran Free Church. He was followed Mr. Edward Nelson, who also holds the honor of nning the two Christian papers, *Morning Glory* *The Christian Banner*. The Rev. S. Brekke of the heran Brethren Church served as superintendent for e years; Mr. Lars Nordskog for a short time, and him the superintendent's position was held by Mrs. . Severson.

r. Sidney Swenson, present superintendent who has ed for the past seven years, together with his wife, done a great work. The Mission is operated by a d of directors elected by an association whose mem- must be members of good standing in a Lutheran rch.

his work has been supported by many of our Lu- n churches and many individuals. When greater unts have been needed, God has in the most un- l way answered the prayers and provided the need. years ago fire destroyed a part of the building, but result there is now a much improved building, and all the costs are paid in full. This being the only Lutheran mission of its kind in this metropolis, it deserves the hearty support of our people, so that this body and soul saving work may not only be continued, but may be extended to reach many more.

Since Sunday school and services have been held for some time, although there was no congregation to receive the many who came to church, it was felt that a congregation must be organized among these colored people.

Having served in De Kalb, Illinois, for many years as pastor, I was called by the Home Mission Department of the Eastern District of the ELC to carry on this mission work. Since beginning the work the first of the year much progress has been made.

Services are held every Sunday morning, with an average attendance of about sixty. Sunday school is held every Sunday for an enrollment of around 300. We also have junior and senior Confirmation classes, a junior choir, and youth meetings which will be organized into

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What Makes a Bible Camp?

Loyal Tallakson
President, North Dakota District

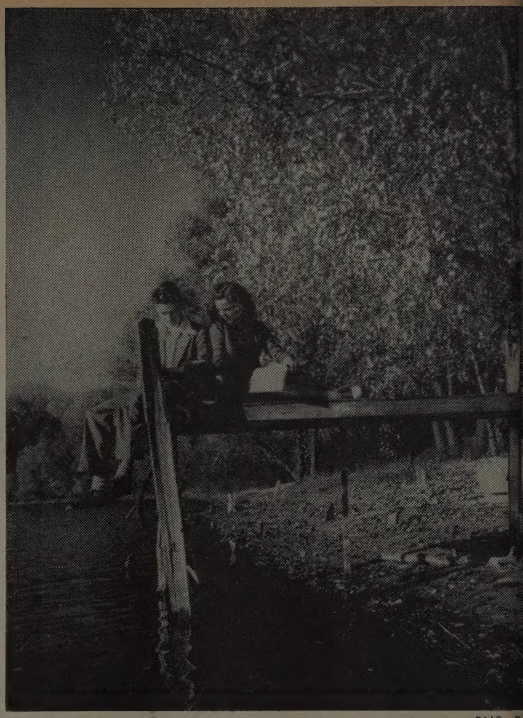
This isn't the easiest topic in the world. It's almost impossible to outline standards with which everyone will agree. Some will say, "Too high!" Others will say, "Too low!" Hence, the best we can do is to express our own convictions frankly, and then hope that some group of earnest laymen and pastors, planning this year's camp, may be helped.

Bible Camp Courses

We believe there should be four major courses in the Bible camp day. We have these young folks there for only one week, and many of them have come long distances. Some will never be at camp again. To have less than four main courses is to give too light a diet and to leave more time for recreation and plain loafing than is necessary.

The first course should be a good, solid Bible study, with assignments of reading for the campers. The second period can be easier, but should have something spiritually substantial. A course in Bible characters, Christian Doctrine, Missions, Prayer, Stewardship, the Reformation, Church History, or Liturgy can be very helpful. The last period in the morning should be the lightest of the day. A practical hour, question and answer period, hymnology and hymn singing, Luther League work or a Christian life series have proven good subject matter for this difficult hour. The fourth important period for the day should be the evening inspirational. This should have a warm, evangelistic emphasis and should be a closing climax to the day.

Besides these major courses, the evening camp fire is very important. Campers are attracted by it and blessed through it, at almost every camp. We believe there should be a camp fire every night. What better way is there to spend this precious evening time? What better way is there to crystallize some of the convictions and decisions which the early hours of the day have started on their way? Twenty to twenty-five minutes should be a limit on the time used. There should be a lot of singing. Several familiar hymn verses are much better than one or two long, unfamiliar songs. There should be a



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"In Youth We Learn . . ."

minimum of faculty speaking and a lot of camper p ticipation. This participation should be spontaneous far as possible. High pressure at camp fires causes h blood pressure on the part of other pastors and lead at camp. It is not good Lutheran practice nor conduc to a sound, long-range Bible Camp program.

Bible Camp Staff

Each camp ought to have two outside faculty memb if funds allow and if distances aren't too great. have only one outsider and use him three times is lik to be too hard on the faculty member and too much "one face" for the campers. Two outside faculty m should take three of the periods during the day. believe a pastor from the circuit should take either second hour in the morning or the last hour. This v mean a new face and a new voice at each morn period; we believe this is conducive to good listen on the part of the campers and best spiritual resu

Besides the camp dean, camp manager, registrar, d of men, and dean of women, several other staff memb are a must. There should be a qualified life guard every camp where there is swimming. This is one pl where we cannot afford to take chances. Someone sho be in charge of music. Some camps don't make use the wonderful young talent in the camp pews. Tr quartets, and choirs add much to the evening sessi

me camps go along without a real director of athletics. is is a mistake. A well-planned sports program breaks cliques, gets campers acquainted, and makes the eks happy ones for everyone. The two deans should ve adequate help. It is ideal to have a staff member each cabin to supervise evening devotions, check on npers' retirement, study, quiet hour observation, and neral camp attitude. If the circuit pastors and wives end (as we believe they should), there will be per-nnel for these important camp duties. Then the camp n will not exclaim when the week is over, "Never nin!" A good camp nurse should also be secured. metimes a serious illness or accident may occur at np and first aid should be available by having a nurse d adequate medical supplies on hand.

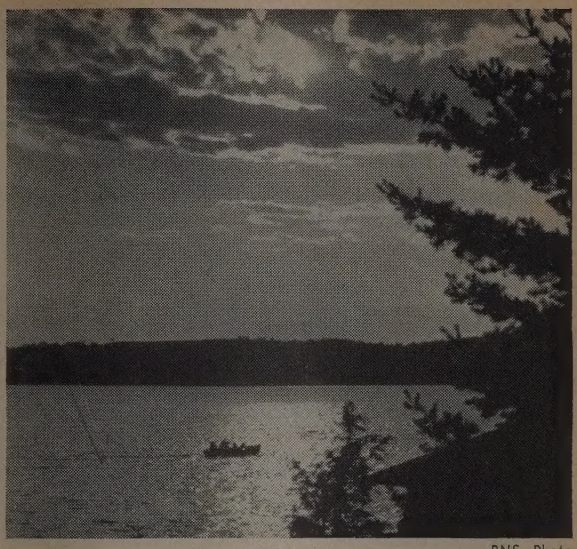
Bible Camp Schedule

two camps have quite the same schedule. Some edules make the days too full and too long. Campers home too tired, and the staff determined to shed ir duties for next year. We submit the following edule for your consideration:

7:30—Rising Hour
8:00—Breakfast
8:30—Cabin Clean up
9:00—Bible Study
9:45—Recess
0:00—Bible Characters (or other subject)
0:45—Recess
1:00—Practical Hour (or other subject)
1:45—Recess
2:00—Dinner (announcements and report of deans on cabin neatness)
2:30-1:30—Quiet Hour (study period)
1:30-3:00—Kittenball, Volleyball, boating, etc.
2:30-3:00—Swimming lessons for beginners
3:00-5:00—Swimming
3:30-5:30—Personal Counselling by staff members
5:15-6:00—Choir Rehearsal
6:00—Supper
8:00-9:00—Evening Inspirational
9:00-9:30—Camp fire
10:00—Bed time bell
10:15—Cabin devotions
10:30—Lights out

The Bible Campers

e rejoice over the fact that the age level at our senior mps is going up. This is a wonderful sign. Let us ep our senior camps for confirmed young folks. This a good line of demarkation and no one should be fended. We'll lose our older campers (at the age when ey need it most) if we allow eleven and twelve year ds at senior camps. It is hard on the faculty too if e age variance is too great. The junior camps can re for children who are in junior and senior Con-mation classes. I doubt very much whether it is wise to start them out earlier than this. The great danger is that Bible Camp will be "old stuff" by the time they are 15 to 17. That is when they need camp and when we want them to attend.



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"Now the day draweth toward evening."
A typical sunset scene at many of the Bible Camps of our Church.

Camp rules should be observed by every camper. It is serious to allow infractions, especially on being late for "lights out" at night. Offenders should be dealt with in a kindly spirit. If necessary, however, it is better to send one "poor camper" home than to spoil the camp spirit for everyone.

May the Lord continue to bless our Bible camp movement. It deserves the time and interest of every pastor and lay leader. If we work hard to get campers to attend, go with them to camp, and pray and play with them, give guidance and help to those who need it when camp is over, then this great movement will continue to serve our youth well and deserve our Lord's blessing.

WORDS

How precious are the words first spoken
By lisping lips of daughter or son!
How sacred are the words first whispered
To us by some beloved one,
And sweet the gentle phrase, when uttered
In giving pardon for a wrong.
And words are dear, when softly murmured
By lover's lips; or used in song
To praise the Lord, they are most holy!
So let us choose our words that they
Will not be cause of vain regretting,
But prove a blessing every day!

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A "Mighty Fortress" of the Gospel

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The Fourth and Final Article in a Series on the Lutheran Church of Yugoslavia

As I mentioned in my first article, the Lutheran Church was split into four synods after the Second World War. These four Lutheran Churches are based on national backgrounds, although the main language is now the Serbo-Croation. During the sufferings of the war the Lutheran Church grew closer together and especially after the war the people have worked together in evangelization and stewardship in Slovenia, Croatia with Bosnia, and Serbia.

The congregations saw what a great experience it was when several pastors came and served different congregations together, speaking in different languages so that the people could hear their own native language,

Pictured above is an inside view of the Lutheran Church in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, showing a typical altar of the Yugoslavian churches. Pastor Edgar Popp serves this church at Zagreb. The photo was taken when this church celebrated its 70th Anniversary.

which might be German, Italian, Hungarian, or Slovenian dialect called "Prekomurski."

Through this work, the scattered congregati throughout the country learn more of each other a get strength in their faith. Some Lutheran pastors a decided to bring the congregations together in disc sion groups, Bible study, and church choirs. The L therans in Yugoslavia are very much interested in t work, because they know that they are in the minor and have to face their problems together in order find the best solution.

Not only the Lutheran Church, but also the Gre Orthodox Church and the Old-Catholic Church h decided to do the same. For the first time after t war the Christian Churches in Yugoslavia came gether to discuss ecumenical questions and to try help each other. Through this work the Slovak L theran Church was able to send theological students study theology at the Greek-Orthodox Seminary in B grade for the first two years, in order to help the L therans train their students, because the Luther Church does not have its own seminary.

I would like to give you another example of h the Churches co-operate. When the pastor is absent a congregation, and a telegram arrives in the paste office calling him to conduct a funeral somewhere i congregation a few hundred miles away, quite of the Greek-Orthodox prota, which means priest, w lead the Lutheran funeral, in order to give a Christ funeral.

The Christian Churches have been tested and th have come to see that they must co-operate on an e menical basis. One should not misunderstand or a wrong picture of the Lutheran Church in Yugosla for the Christian Churches co-operate and work togeth only as far as they can. When doctrine becomes question, then each of them will go its own way. T only problem in this work is the Roman Cathe Church, which still tries to convert people and get th into the Roman Church.

When the first American pastors visited Yugosla they invited the Lutheran Church to become a mem of the Lutheran World Federation. Before it co accept this invitation the Church in Yugoslavia had find the way of unity. This was a very big proble

e Synod in Slovenia, Croatia-Bosnia, and Serbia de-
ed immediately to establish the National Council of
Lutheran Churches in Yugoslavia. This was a very
e idea, but when the Slovak Lutheran Church was
led upon to co-operate and to become a member too,
refused, because it felt that the Slovak Lutheran
urch has to serve only the Slovak Lutheran people
their native Slovak language. After many discussions
d conferences with representatives of the National
theran Council in the United States and the Lutheran
orld Federation, the Slovak Lutheran Church agreed
merge with the other three synods. With the success
the union movement the Lutheran Churches could
ply for membership in the Lutheran World Feder-
on.

Through membership in the Lutheran World Federa-
n the Lutherans of Yugoslavia have come to know
it they are not alone and that they belong to the
eat Lutheran family in the world. The Lutheran
orld Federation began to support the Church and to
e care of all necessary things, such as paying the
aries of the pastors, establishing a budget for the
storal care of the congregations, and giving pensions
pastors' widows. But, these are not the important
oblems. More important is the rebuilding of destroyed
itheran churches and the raising of funds for theo-
gical students.

For the first time the Lutheran Church in Yugoslavia
nt two representatives to attend the Assembly of the
itheran World Federation at Hannover in 1952. It
as a great event for the small Lutheran Church to be
fellowship with other Lutheran Churches of the
orld.

he Lutheran World Federation brought the Lutherans
Yugoslavia closer together, yes, even helped the Lu-
eran Church to find a solution to the problem of
ity in this country where so many different national-
es and religions have to live and work together, and
here a small Lutheran Church is trying to find peace
d freedom in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A very important experience for these Lutheran people
as been the fact that they know that they are not alone
d that their Lutheran brothers and sisters throughout
e world pray for these people as they do for them.
his has brought those on the Adriatic Sea or in the
lian Alps or in the Panonian Valley to a knowledge
at they are like a "Mighty Fortress" of the Gospel in
is part of the world.

Orders for Ordered Lives

Harold B. Kildahl

TRINITY SUNDAY
June 5, 1955
Text: Matthew 28:16-20

Lives ordered from above are lived under the compulsion of orders from above. There is no getting away from it; if you are a Christian you have an ongoing order to fulfill. It is unending, unrelaxing, stringent, and compelling. It is, in brief, the command of Christ to the disciples and those who should come after, to extend the reaches of the Kingdom of God and to "redeem the time" in which you live.

If only once, just once, the whole Christian Church would take seriously the command of Christ, would accept seriously the order from above, there would be a rising crescendo of voices, a literal babble of tongues, a noise of marching feet, and an army on the move in obedience to the command. Men would gladly give themselves and their lives to the cause of Christ and the redemption of the souls of others.

But actually the picture that presents itself is quite different, sadly different. Money for missions is a difficult problem always. Men for missions likewise constitute a problem always. Perhaps men would be more plentiful if money were a bit easier. The two are closely bound together. But why? Why should this be so? Why should Christians find it hard to undertake the financial support of the very thing to which they are ordered? Why should the fields be white unto harvest and the laborers few? Why should "the budget," that grim spectre that seems to provoke men and churches to serious debate and urgent thought be so difficult to raise?

Why? The question rises easily. Its answer is not easily found. Not when Christians are those who acknowledge the Father as the Creator of all, the Son as the Redeemer of all, and the Holy Spirit as the Sanctifier of all; not when Christians are those who have been signally blessed by the Trinity they worship. In gratitude, in obedience, in loyalty, in love, Christians should rise up with one accord submitting ordered lives to the fulfillment of orders from above.

It can be set down as a serious fact that the Gospel is the last great hope of the world. Everything else has been tried. Every field of knowledge has been explored, every device for peace and happiness has been found wanting. Only the Gospel remains. The Gospel and men who believe in it. Therefore, the place to begin is with you. You who live ordered lives under the compulsion of orders from above. For Christ's sake, for the sake of the Kingdom of God, for the sake of the souls of men, for the sake of your own salvation, receive the orders of Jesus Christ for your ordered life. Amen.

Augustana Conferences Vote on Merger

NEWS BUREAU OF THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

Ten of the thirteen conferences that make up the Augustana Lutheran Church have endorsed a proposal by The United Lutheran Church in America that the two general bodies explore the possibilities of merger.

By formal resolutions at their annual conventions in April, the ten conferences approved Augustana's policy on Lutheran unity and the decision of its Commission on Ecumenical Relations to recommend the ULCA's invitation "for favorable action" to the Church's 96th annual synod at St. Paul, Minn., June 13-19.

The official proposal suggested that the ULCA and Augustana "enter into conversations looking toward organic union, with the proviso that such conversations shall be open to any and all American Lutheran church bodies which desire to participate therein."

According to an announcement at Augustana headquarters in Minneapolis, the only contrary action came from the Iowa Conference, which voted to advise the Church "to re-enter the merger negotiations now proceeding with the four church bodies of the former American Lutheran Conference."

The Superior Conference decided to submit no resolutions or recommendations on unity negotiations to the synod, while the Canada Conference reaffirmed its earlier position favoring the establishment of a Lutheran Church of Canada.

Conferences which endorsed the ULCA's proposal were California, Columbia, Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, New England, New York, Red River, and Texas. Together they represent more than 90 per cent of Augustana's 500,000 baptized members. The ULCA, the largest of the 16 Lutheran bodies in America, has more than 2,150,000 members.

In taking their actions, the ten conferences gave approval to Augustana's insistence that it could not engage in merger discussions not open to all Lutheran bodies and which did not include consideration of future ecumenical relations.

These were the chief reasons it gave for its withdrawal from negotiations with The Evangelical Lutheran Church, American Lutheran Church, United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and Lutheran Free Church, which are now in the final stages of planning for a Church of more than 1,800,000 members.

A Word of Greeting to Member Churches

The Executive Committee of The Lutheran Wor Federation, assembled in Vienna, sends greetings to member Churches and a sincere invitation to acti participation in the preparation of the Third Assembl which is to take place in the U.S.A. during the summ of 1957.

As the theme for this Assembly we have consider the idea of Unity and Freedom. We believe that th theme of the "liberty of the Christian" and the tr unity of Christ's Church is profoundly relevant to bo the genuine message of the New Testament and t situation and tasks of modern world Lutheranism. Th world-wide Lutheran Assembly has been entrusted us in order that we might render witness to the o Lord who has delivered us from the burden of sin a from the power of all evil; to the one Church whi we are in Him, and to the one service which we ow to all the world.

We now ask all our member Churches for their full co-operation in preparing this event of the year 19 This preparatory work will have to consist, above a of serious meditation on what Holy Scripture and t Confessional Writings have to say concerning our then For this purpose we not only request the assistance theological experts but also urge that groups of paste and lay people engage in careful study in order to fu ther our common understanding of God's Word.

Beyond this, however, the various aspects of practi church life will have to be put under the scrutiny of th main theme. Every area of church life can and mu receive its guiding and healing illumination from fr dom and unity in Christ, including worship, proclam tion of the Gospel, preaching, works of mercy, missio and everyday life.

But the accomplishment of our purpose will depe above all upon the common discipline of prayer which we can unite. In the brief history of our Wor Federation—particularly in the Hannover Assembly we have already experienced much unmerited blessi The free and gracious Lord will not deny us such ble ing in the future if we pray for it through His Spirit a for the sake of Christ.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Lutheran World Federation

1955 Camp Schedule

(Continued from page 522)

Luther Crest Bible Camp, Alexandria, Minnesota

July 10-16. Glenwood-Milaca-Park Region Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Lloyd Anderson, Hancock, Minnesota, Dean.

July 17-23. Glenwood-Milaca-Park Region Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Obed Anderson, Pine River, Minnesota, Dean.

July 24-30. Glenwood-Milaca-Park Region Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8); Rev. Allen Hagstrom, Elbow Lake, Minnesota, Dean.

July 31-August 6. Oakes Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Einar Lenander, Englevale, North Dakota, Dean.

August 21-27. Pelican Valley Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12); Rev. O. B. Nilson, Rothsay, Minnesota, Dean.

Lutherdale Bible Camp, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

June 12-18. Madison Circuit Bible Camp (9-10-11-12); Rev. E. W. Wilson, Rio, Wisconsin, Dean.

July 3-9. Rock River Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12); Rev. M. S. Lewis, Rt. 4, Beloit, Wisconsin, Dean.

July 17-23. Chicago Circuit family Bible Camp; Rev. C. W. Solberg, 118 Kenilworth, Villa Park, Illinois, Dean.

July 31-August 6. Illinois Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Harold Nelson, 604 Guthrie, Ottawa, Illinois, Dean.

Lutherhaven Bible Camp, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

July 10-16. Spokane-Mid-Columbia Circuits Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. Sigurd T. Lokken, 223 E. 6th Street, Moscow, Idaho, Dean.

July 31-August 6. Spokane-Mid-Columbia Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Richard Rodning, 814 5th Street, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Dean.

Luther Lodge, Mc Leod, Montana

July 17-23. Glendive Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. F. T. Lokensgard, Glendive, Montana, Dean.

July 24-29. Billings Circuit Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. David H. Larson, Laurel, Montana, Dean.

Luther Park, Chetek, Wisconsin

June 12-18. Rice Lake Circuit Bible Camp (grades 11-12-post-hi); Rev. Erling A. Hansen, Ladysmith, Wisconsin, Dean.

July 10-16. La Crosse Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12); Rev. Luther B. Keay, Ettrick, Wisconsin, Dean.

July 24-30. Vernon Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Phillip Pederson, De Soto, Wisconsin, Dean.

July 31-August 6. Mondovi Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9-10-11-12); Rev. J. P. Hulterstrum, Eleva, Wisconsin, Dean.

Luther Point, Grantsburg, Wisconsin

June 12-18. Hudson Circuit Bible Camp, Richard Jurgensen, Deronda, Wisconsin, Dean.

Lutherwood Bible Camp, Rt. 5, Box 135, Bellingham, Washington

July 17-23. North Puget Sound Circuit Bible Camp (grades 6-7); Rev. G. B. Stromberg, Rt. 3, Mt. Vernon, Washington, Registrar.

July 24-30. North Puget Sound Circuit Bible Camp (grades 8-9); Rev. G. B. Stromberg, Route 3, Mt. Vernon, Washington, Registrar.

August 21-27. North Puget Sound Circuit Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. G. B. Stromberg, Route 3, Mt. Vernon, Washington, Registrar.

August 14-20. North Puget Sound Circuit Family Bible Camp; Rev. G. B. Stromberg, Route 3, Mt. Vernon, Washington, Registrar.

Metigoshe Lutheran Bible Camp, Bottineau, North Dakota

July 4-10. Turtle Mountain-Minot Circuits Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. Erling Aarthun, Rugby, North Dakota, Dean.

July 11-17. Turtle Mountain-Minot Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. J. O. Coughlin, Velva, North Dakota, Dean.

Midale, Saskatchewan, Canada

July 4-10. Moose Jaw Circuit Bible Camp (family week); Rev. J. B. Stolee, Torquay, Sask., Canada, Dean.

July 10-15. Moose Jaw Circuit Luther League Bible Camp; Rev. J. B. Stolee, Torquay, Sask., Canada, Dean.

Minne-wa-kan Bible Camp, Cass Lake, Minnesota

July 4-10. Arrowhead Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Luther Simonson, Star Route, Cook, Minnesota, Dean.

Missouri River Bible Camp, Washburn, North Dakota

June 20-26. Max-Bismarck Circuits Bible Camp (family week); Rev. C. F. Brien, 905 1st Street N. W., Mandan, North Dakota, Dean.

Mount Cross, Rt. 1, Box 1555, Felton, California

June 15-September 5. Junior, Senior and Intermediate Bible Camp; Rev. Herb Cartwright, Felton, California, Dean.

Nelson Lake, Preeceville, Saskatchewan, Canada

July 4-17. Yorkton Circuit Bible Camp (grades 12-post-hi); Rev. J. A. Hesje, Box 88, Melville, Sask., Canada, Dean.

Ne-So-Dak Bible Camp, Waubay, South Dakota

June 12-18. Aberdeen-Sisseton Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Grindland, Webster, South Dakota, Dean.

July 3-9. Madison-Brookings Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Morris Ulring, Oldham, South Dakota, Dean.

July 10-16. Watertown-Mitchell Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. Lester Peterson, Hayti, South Dakota, Dean.

July 17-22. Aberdeen-Sisseton Circuits Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. Jacob Askeland, Peever, South Dakota, Dean.

July 24-29. Mitchell-Watertown Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Ralph Chelsen, Mitchell, South Dakota, Dean.

July 31-August 5. Madison-Brookings Circuits Bible Camp; Rev. A. O. Blom, Colton, South Dakota, Dean.

Park River Bible Camp, Park River, North Dakota

July 4-10. Park River Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Vernon Keszler, Langolon, North Dakota, Dean.

July 11-17. Park River Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. Leonard Smestad, Park River, North Dakota, Dean.

July 18-24. Park River Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Joel Pederson, Walhalla, North Dakota, Dean.

Red Willow Lutheran Bible Camp, Binford, North Dakota

July 3-10. Cooperstown-Fargo-Lake Region-Goose River-Lakota-Valley City-Harvey-Grand Forks Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9-10-11-12); Rev. R. E. Johnshoy, Aneta, North Dakota, Dean.

July 10-17. Cooperstown-Fargo-Lake Region-Goose River-Lakota-Valley City-Harvey-Grand Forks Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9-10-11-12); Rev. A. B. Solberg, Fessenden, North Dakota, Dean.

July 17-24. Cooperstown-Fargo-Lake Region-Goose River-Lakota-Valley City-Harvey-Grand Forks Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9-10-11-12); Rev. E. M. Sletten, Kindred, North Dakota, Dean.

Riverside Bible Camp, Randall, Iowa

June 12-18. Story City-St. Ansgar Circuits Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12-post-hi); Rev. H. Wm. Sorenson, Des Moines, Iowa, Dean.

June 19-25. St. Ansgar Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Luther Berven, Osage, Iowa, Dean.

June 26-July 2. Story City Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Ocee Johnson, Story City, Iowa, Dean.

July 17-22. Story City-St. Ansgar Circuits Bible Camp (grades 5-6); Rev. A. E. Nelson, Roland, Iowa, Dean.

Saskatoon Island Lutheran Bible Camp, Wembly, Alberta, Canada

July 11-17. Peace River Circuit Bible Camp (grades 6-7-8); Rev. H. A. Strand, Valhalla Centre, Aita., Canada, Dean.

July 18-24. Peace River Circuit Bible Camp (grades 9-10-11-12); Rev. H. A. Strand, Valhalla Centre, Alta., Canada, Dean.

Seeley Lutheran Bible Camp, Crestline, California in San Bernardino Mts.

July 24-31. Los Angeles Circuit Bible Camp (grades 7-8-9); Rev. Clarence Johnson, 13433 Paramount Blvd., Hollydale, California, Registrar.

July 31- August 7. Los Angeles Circuit Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12); Rev. Clarence Johnson, 13433 Paramount Blvd., Hollydale, California, Registrar.

August 7-13. Los Angeles Circuit Bible Camp (family); Rev. Clarence Johnson, 13433 Paramount Blvd., Hollydale, California, Registrar.

Simmie Bible Camp, Simmie, Saskatchewan, Canada

July 4-10. Swift Current Circuit Bible Camp (Luther League); Rev. O. H. Olsen, 358 2nd Avenue W., Swift Current, Sask., Dean.

July 11-17. Swift Current Circuit family Bible Camp; Rev. E. K. Rostad, Chaplain, Sask., Dean.

Stony Brook, Long Island, New York

July 1-9. Atlantic District Adult Bible Conference; Rev. John M. Ness, 260 State Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey, Dean.

Upper Missouri Lutheran Bible Camp, Epping, North Dakota

July 4-10. Williston-Crosby-McKenzie Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8); Rev. Ed. Goetz, Stanley, North Dakota, Dean.

July 10-17. Williston-Crosby-McKenzie Circuits Bible Camp (grades 7-8); Rev. Ed. Goetz, Stanley, North Dakota, Dean.

July 17-24. Williston-Crosby-McKenzie Circuits Bible Camp (grades 9); Rev. Ed. Goetz, Stanley, North Dakota, Dean.

July 24-30. Williston-Crosby-McKenzie Circuits Bible Camp (grades 10-11-12); Rev. Ed. Goetz, Stanley, North Dakota, Dean.

New Developments in South Africa

The conditions in South Africa continue to progress along the program established by the Nationalist Party. Natives are being moved out of any housing areas in Johannesburg where mixed housing has resulted, that is, where blacks, whites, and colored have been living in the same area. This created a severe tension which was met by a show of force by armed police. All projects are being carried out according to schedule except where natives escaped, preferring to live with relatives rather than in new housing areas provided by the government. This is a step in the direction of complete *apartheit*—separation of blacks and whites. Meanwhile, the program of the government to take over all schools conducted privately or by missions is proceeding toward rapid completion. It is expected that all of our mission schools will be under government jurisdiction and support by the end of 1955 except for the following:

Zulu Lutheran High School in Eshowe may be taken over by the government immediately, but because of lack of qualified personnel they may permit our present mission staff to remain to conduct the school for a year or two longer. Such arrangement would mean that the school be changed to a normal school, retaining some of the regular high school classes.

Umpumulo Normal School may also be retained on the same basis.

We are planning on conducting three or four elementary schools privately as a mission in order to take care of the more crying needs of education among the children of the Christians in those areas. It is evident that the education provided under government controlled schools may become more widespread eventually in its outreach than the education was under the mission schools. On the other hand, such education may be more for advanced grades. Also, it will not directly serve our Church. It is for this reason that we are planning on these few schools that will be carried on directly by the Mission.

This is possible because they are located on so-called "farm land," under control and jurisdiction of whites. We are still able to conduct schools that are directly related to the Church and are actively engaged in conducting a theological seminary and a school for training of evangelists. We are also uniting with the Norwegian Mission Society in a Bible school. Besides the above schools the last mission conference decided to open a pre-seminary course. This course is established in order to prepare men academically for admittance to our theological seminary. Other Lutheran missions in South Africa have approved this course and have united with us in conducting it on our mission field. Mr. Formo was elected principal. He writes:

"As I was at Untunjambili yesterday, Supt. Otte informed me that the CLM accepted our proposal of the pre-sem course at Untunjambili and that I was appointed principal. I certainly feel that this may be one answer to the need for more seminary candidates. There are quite a number of consecrated men who would like to go to the seminary, but they have been out of school—some for several years—and their previous education does not qualify them, although, because of their experience in various fields of work, they now would be well qualified to enter a pre-sem course qualifying them for the seminary. Personally, I would be very happy to be in this work. I do not believe there will be need of one man for supervising the few elementary schools remaining under our control after the end of this year."

We also have a letter from our beloved veteran missionary, Dr. Johannes Astrup, now 83 years old. He feels that his eyes are not as good as they used to be, but in spite of this he is doing a tremendous task in the field of Christian literature. He writes as follows about his work:

"In the beginning of this month the Zulu Hymnbook Revision Committee met in Durban, and, I am glad to say, completed this great work which has kept us very busy since 1941. We could not meet during the late war and that detained us. We now intend to prepare a song book for young people and also for children, if the Co-operating Executive permits. I am very much interested and would like to continue serving on the committee but will not continue as chairman. Bishop Sundgren will, I hope, take my place.

"The Bible Translation Committee has had a set-back because of the regrettable sickness of our chairman, the Rev. O. Sarndal. We have now come to the middle of Ezekiel, so I hope we will finish the Old Testament soon if all goes well. The New Testament is being printed in London. I have been reading the proofs on most of it. This has been a very hard and exacting work. I sincerely hope the New Testament will be ready this year for distribution. The unfortunate delay has detained me in my work on Ylvisaker's Commentary."

We wish to congratulate Dr. Astrup on his great activity. Although he complains about his inability to do as much as he would desire, we find that his activity still serves as a challenge to us who are still in full strength and vigor and many years younger.

Missionary Personnel

The following missionaries have accepted calls to serve on the Foreign Mission fields of our Church during the past two months. They will be leaving for the mission fields this summer and early fall:

udan—Mr. and Mrs. James Kallas
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nostbakken
Miss Marie Mundfrom
Miss Doris Lewis

apan—Miss Lenore Robertsdahl
Miss Wenona Strandlie
Miss Wanda Anderson
Miss Dorothy Bonnallie

anganyika—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Evenson
Mr. and Mrs. David Simonson
Miss Harriet Erickson

outh Africa—Mr. Carroll Ellertson

Madagascar—Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jacobsen

Mr. William Smith of Tanganyika has been reported k with poliomyelitis. Late reports indicate that he has n affected in one leg but that otherwise he seems be in good condition and that the doctors hope for nplete recovery after some treatments. We request yer for Pastor Smith.

Also from Tanganyika we have received word that ss Edna Rolands is recovering from a bad case of us pneumonia. She will be returning to this country er this summer for recuperation.

Sudan, West Africa

om the Sudan, West Africa, we have a very enthusi- ic report by Ernest M. Johnson who just arrived on field as a trained educator in the industrial arts. has been stationed in Tchollire in the northern sec- n of our mission field which is largely controlled Mohammedans. We want to share his enthusiasm th you as he writes in his letter of April 11:

"Walter Trobisch and I came up to Tchollire on turday. The 280 or so kilometers took us about 18 urs. We left N'gaoundre at around 8:30 Good Friday ening and arrived here about 2:30 Saturday afternoon. e had no trouble at all with the old mission truck hich I worked on at Garou Boulai) but the roads are washboardy that you just don't dare to travel fast th a heavy load like we had.

"It was very interesting for me to worship in the all chapel and sing hymns familiar in tune and mean- g, but with words so different. The language isn't arly as difficult as French.

"I want you to know that this has been one of the ppiest Easter Sundays I have spent in a long time. ere are my reasons:

(1) I am happy to be in the place where I feel God s called me.

(2) I am so glad to see the progress made so far in e lives of the natives living here. The Trobisches have ne a good job.

(3) There are a great many possibilities for this place cause of water supply, natural resources, and climate.

(a) This is supposed to be the driest month, but there water in the well. If it is made deeper there should be an inexhaustible supply. (Even in this hot weather the trees are green where they haven't been burned with fire.)

(b) There are many natural resources here: clay which the natives make into strong pots; building stone in plentiful supply; plenty of short trees; you couldn't saw them up into big planks for building, but enough to teach woodworking at not too great an expense. There is of course more than enough scrub wood for charcoal, etc. The soil in some places is quite rich.

(c) Climate: The temperature during the past few days has been between 110 and 90 in the shade. It does not cool off at night, *but* the heat is dry so it doesn't bother too much. It is the same climate you find in the San Joaquin Valley in California. I have suffered a great deal more from heat in a Minnesota humid summer than I have here.

"It just started to rain a few minutes ago, and the air is fresh and cool now.

"God has given this area much, but the people, blinded by sin and Satan-worship, are not able to use what they have to good advantage. They simply exist from day to day. I am sure that with God's continued guidance, the Industrial School can aid them spiritually, mentally, and physically."

Unwanted and Forgotten

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a Young People's Luther League. The Tuesday afternoon Bible class will eventually become a part of the WMF. Church membership classes meet Wednesday evenings and Friday afternoons to prepare for membership in the new congregation.

This is not an area where much support can be expected for the new church, since so many of the people are unemployed and need help instead of being able to give support. However, there are those too who do have a regular income and can be taught Christian stewardship.

On Saturdays special help is given in reading, music, and wood-craft. A mimeographed leaflet called the "Community Messenger" is given out each week to the many contacts. Thus the work is going forward, and we are looking forward to when the first colored congregation of the ELC will become a reality.

This area with its teeming multitudes is a tremendous challenge, and we believe that many, both young and old of a darker skin than our own, will be added to the Lutheran Church. Mr. Sidney Swenson and I, together with the other workers, find this is the most thrilling and interesting work, as we wait to see what God through His Word and Sacraments, and in answer to prayer, will do in the unexpected and the near-impossible extension of His Kingdom to this blighted area.

The April 30th Milestone

Raymond M. O
Director of Steward

April 30th is the first milestone in each year's progress toward the Budget goal of The Evangelical Lutheran Church. It marks the close of the first quarter of the fiscal year. It is the point at which we stop, summarize the receipts which have come from the congregations, and evaluate what has been done. It marks the date for a first report to the congregations of the money which has come from them for the *"program to meet a trust."*

This year, on April 30, the treasurer's office had received a total of $824,555.76 toward the goal of $4,300,000. This is 19.2% of the total needed to reach the goal.

One year ago, on April 30, $651,868.47 had been received for the Budget and National Lutheran Council-Lutheran World Action. This was 17.7% of the total needed to reach the 1954 goals.

The situation can be understood, also, by noting that we have 20.9% more dollars at this "milestone" t at the same point last year. This is an encouraging s on the new year. It should provide assurance to ev congregation that God has provided us with the me to accomplish this new program, too. We have g hope that the situation will be even better by the en the second quarter, July 31.

An examination of the report below will show t seven of the ten districts are ahead of last year on a centage basis, and that eight of the ten are ahead of year on a dollar basis.

On behalf of the Church and its great work be carried out through the 1955 Budget, we send ou strong "thank you and God bless you." It is our pra that the fulfillment of our stewardship will deepen spiritual life of every giver and of every congregati

1955 Budget Ingathering

District	1955 Apportionment	Raised	% Raised	1954 Apportionment	Raised	% Rai
Eastern	$1,050,000	197,310.64	18.8	907,240.00	146,417.63	1
Northern Minnesota	450,000	76,219.21	16.9	400,931.42	57,143.62	1
Southern Minnesota	950,000	187,495.66	19.7	858,029.50	150,175.82	1
South Central	450,000	90,931.91	20.2	402,128.00	93,353.85	2
South Dakota	406,000	81,691.18	20.1	355,662.60	72,996.51	2
North Dakota	485,000	75,370.74	15.5	414,126.42	63,480.32	1
Rocky Mountain	165,000	30,983.95	18.8	104,442.16	19,282.83	1
Pacific	170,000	42,040.41	24.7	122,600.00	25,737.41	2
California	100,000	27,557.17	27.6	57,622.00	11,595.15	2
Canada	74,000	9,873.89	13.3	56,500.00	11,669.50	2
No District	.....	5,081.00	....	.....	.....	.
Lutheran Students	.....	.....	....	.....	15.83	
	$4,300,000	824,555.76	19.2	3,678,476.00	651,868.47	1

Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. Hestenes

TOWARD THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Epistle: I Timothy 6:6-16

The Gospel: Matthew 16:24-27

Monday, June 6
NOT JUST ME
Read Acts 4:32-35

Now the company of those who believed were of one heart and soul . . . they had everything in common.

Nineteen hundred years ago the Christian Church was like an island in a big, heathen world. The members of the Church were different, much different, in comparison with unbelievers. Not only were they saved, but they were filled with love for others. A true Christian kept saying to himself, "There's not just me anymore." There were others. So he was of one heart and soul with all believers. He even gave up private ownership of his belongings.

We have come a long way since the early days of the Christian Church. Modern life and civilization do not permit community living such as the early Church experienced. But it is still a part of true Christianity always to remember that it's not just me. I live for Christ, for those who are Christ's, and for all mankind. I can't get away from that, for Jesus said, "You shall love. . . ."

Rid me of all selfishness, O God, and fill me with Thy love. Amen.

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Tuesday, June 7
INFLUENCE
Read Matthew 13:31-35

"The kingdom of heaven is like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till it was all leavened."

Everything we come in contact with has some influence upon us. It has the power to make us better or worse. It can improve us or destroy us. Sometimes the world has managed to ruin entirely a person who has not remembered this truth.

Jesus said that the Kingdom of heaven had power to influence, also. The change it makes in a person is always for the better.

When nothing stops it from having its way, the change is complete. This influence is powerful enough to change human nature.

Those who know they are members of the Kingdom should be thankful that this influence is at work in their lives. They should be glad that through them God seeks to spread the influence of the Kingdom.

Whether I am a parent, a student, a business man, or a laborer, God enlists me in the spread of the Kingdom.

Use me mightily, dear God, in bringing Thy Word to the world. Amen.

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Wednesday, June 8
REMINDERS
Read Deuteronomy 6:4-13

"And you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

When a new highway intersection was constructed near a city, it was necessary for the highway department to set up a great number of signs. People made fun of the forest of signs and said that they would only confuse the motorist. But there was nothing else the authorities could do. All the signs were necessary. Without them the motorists would be confused, but in obedience to them they would be safe.

When God told His people that they should give their love and devotion to Him, He told them to put reminders of this command everywhere. On their heart, on their tongue, on their hand, as "frontlets" between their eyes, on the doorposts, on the gates.

How good it is to keep myself reminded that I am here to love God with everything I have! That I am bought with a price and have been set free to glorify God.

Let my every breath remind me that I am here to serve Thee, O God. Amen.

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Thursday, June 9
FREE!
Read Romans 8:1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

It has happened in real life and many times in stories, that a condemned person has been set free. That person knows the joy of a given freedom and is aware of the debt he owes to the one who set him free.

Actually, Christ does the very same thing for any sinner who comes to Him and throws himself on His mercy. Christ sets a person free from condemnation. When Christ sets him free he is no longer under the law of sin and death. He is no longer a victim of the flesh. He has new life in the Spirit.

Every Christian should prize this freedom and never let it become an ordinary truth. It should be a source of real rejoicing. It should cause the believer to walk with great care that he does not lose this prize. Because there are so many others who do not have this freedom, he should lend himself in the great program of winning others for Christ.

Keep me free, dear Jesus. Amen.

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Friday, June 10
SORE SPOT
Read Matthew 19:16-26

When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions.

Jesus touched this young man at a vital point. Jesus could have talked all day and he would have listened to Him so long as he had stayed off this one point. But Jesus mentioned it because it was the sore spot, the spot that needed attention. Had this man followed the teaching of Jesus, who can tell what great new life would have been opened to him!

How easy it is when we hear the Word, or read it, to skip or blank out the part that touches us where we do not want to be touched. How handy we are to take the part we want while we still hang onto the part that Jesus doesn't want!

But this will never do. Following Christ is all or nothing. Jesus does not save half the man, but all of him.

When a man is saved, Christ has all of him.

Let me look through my possessions, kind Jesus, to see if any of them hinder me in my service to Thee. Amen.

Saturday, June 11
GETTING RICH
Read Proverbs 11:23-31

One man gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want.

There are two ways of getting rich. One is by getting all you can and the other is by giving all you can. By the getting process you make yourself poorer. By the giving process you make yourself richer. This is one of the strange truths that belong to the life under God.

Many years ago a poor old widow gave her pastor a ten dollar bill, requesting that he give it to missions. With hesitation he took it from her, thinking at first that she would have plenty of use for the money herself. But when he saw the spirit in which she gave it, he realized that she was not making herself ten dollars poorer; she was making herself richer. She was increasing her own joy and happiness through what she was able to do for the Lord's work.

Teach me to use my life and my possessions in such a way that I shall be rich toward Thee, O Lord. Amen.

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M. Olso

HEAD OF STAMP SOCIETY

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Winfield J. Hain, insurance executive of Reading, Pa., has been elected president of the Collectors of Religion on Stamps Society. A Lutheran, Mr. Hain has one of the outstanding collections of Madonna stamps in the United States. He succeeds Albert Tabler of Dayton, O., a Roman Catholic, as head of the inter-creedal organization. Mr. Hain also has a large collection of Lutheran subjects on stamps, including all the stamps that have shown Martin Luther or the cities and towns in which he preached.

PRIEST SAYS AMERICANS APPROVE RELIEF EFFORTS

Millions of Americans approve of "millions for relief" despite what the critics, the nationalists and some politicians say, in the opinion of Msgr. Aloysius J. Wycislo of New York, assistant executive director of War Relief Services—National Catholic Welfare Conference.

"There are some who say that it is 'pouring millions down the drain'; that it is 'just so much boon-doggling,' and that 'charity begins at home,'" he said. "Charity is love, and your love embraces not only those dear to you, but reaches out to all the less fortunate and suffering. After 12 years of continuous overseas relief effort, we must continue to exercise our generosity in a testimony of love. Only those who espouse extreme nationalism deny the obligations of social justice and charity. Only those who look for excuses for inaction are guilty of that disparity among God's creatures that shames a Christian nation.

"In the light of Christian moral principles, the motives behind our concern for the refugee, the uprooted, the starving and the suffering are sound," he added.

PLAQUE TO CHAPLAINS UNVEILED

A plaque dedicated to the memory of 305 chaplains who have given their lives during wartime service with the U. S. armed forces has been unveiled in Washington, D.C. at the headquarters of the Military Chaplains Association.

Research for the plaque was done by Chaplain (Col.) Roy Honeywell, a retired Army chaplain, who obtained the names from records of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and various state National Guard and militia archives.

His research shows that the casualties among chaplains have been as follows:

Revolutionary War	10
War of 1812	1
Mexican War	1
Civil War	67
World War I	24
World War II	188
Korean War	14

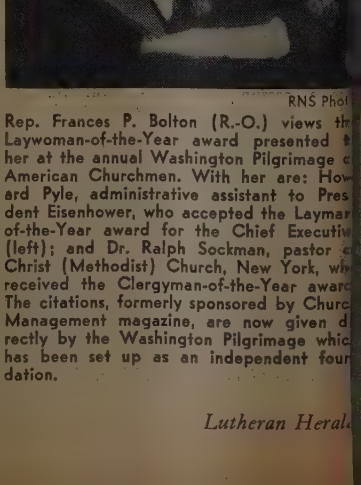
The Civil War figures include eight chaplains known to have died with the Confederate armies, but the destruction of Confederate records made it impossible to identify the men by name. It is probable that other chaplains from the Revolution and War of 1812 are unknown, who are remembered as "those known only to God."

AFRICAN LUTHERANS NAMED LEGISLATORS

Two native members of the Lutheran Church of Northern Tanganyika have been appointed members of the new Legislative Council of that country which is under British mandate.

They are the Mka Mangi of the 500 000 Chagga tribe, wife of that tribe Paramount Chief Thomas Marealle I who is the only African woman ap pointed to the Council, and Mr. S Kundaeli George, named as the un official representative of the African of the Northern Province. The mem bers of the Council are not elected, bu appointed by the British governor o Tanganyika as the government doe not feel that the natives are ready fo elections. These council members ar divided in "officials" sitting with th government on the Administratio benches, and representatives of Africa Asian and European groups terme "unofficials."

WASHINGTON PILGRIMAGE AWARDS



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Rep. Frances P. Bolton (R.-O.) views th Laywoman-of-the-Year award presented t her at the annual Washington Pilgrimage o American Churchmen. With her are: How ard Pyle, administrative assistant to Pres dent Eisenhower, who accepted the Laymar of-the-Year award for the Chief Executiv (left); and Dr. Ralph Sockman, pastor o Christ (Methodist) Church, New York, wh received the Clergyman-of-the-Year award The citations, formerly sponsored by Churc Management magazine, are now given d rectly by the Washington Pilgrimage whic has been set up as an independent foun dation.

Mrs. Marealle, who is a graduate of Ashira's first teacher training class and was a Lutheran church and mission teacher before her marriage to the Paramount Chief of the Chagga tribe, has been named by the Governor as an official representative. Mr. George, who has been named as unofficial representative of the Northern Province's Africans, is a member of the Machame Lutheran parish, an active elder in the Kindi village area Lutheran Church, and also very active on the School Committee of his parish. He studied at the Marangu Lutheran Teacher Training Center.

ASK MORE SHARING OF U.S. ABUNDANCE

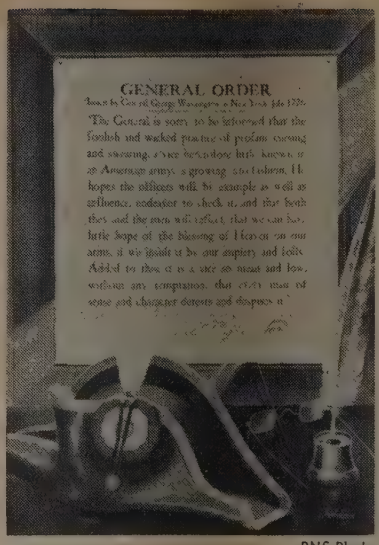
Eighty-two Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish leaders appealed to Americans to join in "an all-out crusade to employ the God-given abundance of America in an expanded program of world development, human progress and international peace." They released a statement which called for national economic policies calculated to keep the country's economy growing, and foreign and trade policies designed to help meet long-term human needs in less favored parts of the world.

The statement stressed that America's abundance and its potential productivity were both "blessings to be enjoyed and a trust to be administered in the name of God and in the service of mankind." It added, "It is contrary to the will of God that islands of prosperity should persist amid oceans of poverty, hunger and distress. Bread for myself is a material concern; bread for my brother is a spiritual concern."

In a moral universe, the 82 leaders said, the continued prosperity of one nation can be justified only by its courageous efforts to make similar abundance available to all nations.

The three men who have been promoting the idea of such a campaign are: C. Arild Olsen, executive secretary of the National Council's Division of Christian Life and Work; Msgr. Luigi G. Ligutti, executive director of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference, and Rabbi Eugene Lipman of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

ARMY POSTER



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This is the newest poster issued by the U. S. Army in conjunction with its Character Guidance program for servicemen. It depicts a General Order issued by George Washington in 1776 against the "foolish and wicked practice of profane cursing and swearing."

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

Exactly half of the 86 presbyteries of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern) opposed a proposed merger of the three major Presbyterian bodies in the United States, according to final voting tabulations on the union plan. A three-fourths majority was necessary to approve the plan. The moderator of the Church summed up the merger prospect this way: "Even if we don't do it, our children will." . . . The Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Washington has recommended that U. S. Episcopalians raise $500,000 to buy an atomic reactor for medical research in the Far East. In so doing it stated that American churches could best demonstrate their good will to the Far East, which has suffered most from the discovery of nuclear energy, by donation of a reactor for medical use. . . . The Lutheran Women's Missionary League, an affiliate of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, has cancelled its 1955 convention scheduled for July in New Orleans because of the city's segregation customs.

35,000 CHICKS FLOWN TO GREECE

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A Greek girl in native costume hands Madame Melas, wife of Greek Ambassador George V. Melas, the 300,000th chick contributed by American church people to aid farmers in overseas areas of agricultural need. The chick was one of a shipment formally presented to Madame Melas at a ceremony in Washington, D.C. by representatives of Church World Service and the Heifer Project. Looking on, left to right: Dr. D. A. Fitzgerald, deputy administrator of the Foreign Operations Administration; Dr. F. E. Reissig, executive secretary of the Washington Federation of Churches; and the Rev. Aimilianos Laloussis, rector of St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church in Washington. Later, 35,000 chicks were flown to Athens from Idlewild Airport in New York for needy Greek farmers. It was the first such "chick-lift" to Greece.

Schools and Colleges

Edited by the Division of Higher Educatio

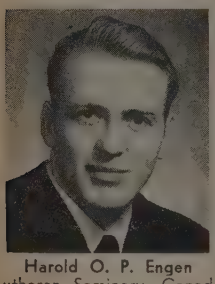
Pictured below are the winners of the 1955 Lutheran Brotherhood Scholarship Program Awards.

The Seminary Scholarships are known as the Seminary Graduate Scholarships and consist of $1,000. Luther Seminary in St. Paul is entitled to such a scholarship annually; Luther Seminary in Saskatoon, every third year.

The senior college awards are in the amount of $300 and are awarded to two seniors annually.

Waldorf College is entitled to one award annually in the amount of $150.

Ivan B. Fagre
Luther Seminary, St. Paul



Harold O. P. Engen
Lutheran Seminary, Canada

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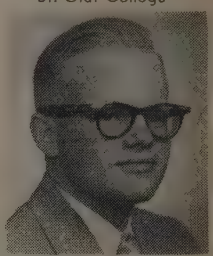
Luther College

Charlotte Martinson
St. Olaf College

Michael Rogness
Augustana College

James Bly
Augustana College



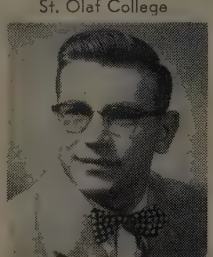
Paul Opsahl
Concordia College

Barbara Smith
Concordia College

C. Richard Peterson
St. Olaf College

Harlan Douglas Wilson
Luther College

Marilyn Mork
Waldorf College



Delvin Hutton
Pacific Lutheran College

David C. Wold
Pacific Lutheran College

COMMENCEMENT ACTIVITIES AT OUR COLLEGES

Augustana College—Baccalaureate, 7:30 p.m., Sunday, June 5; commencement, 10 a.m., Monday, June

Concordia College—Baccalaureate, a.m., Sunday, May 29; commencemen 10 a.m., Monday, May 30, address Dr. J. W. Ylvisaker; laying of cornerstone for the Carl B. Ylvisaker Librar 12 noon, Monday, May 30.

Luther College—Baccalaureate, Sunday June 5; commencement, Monda June 6.

Pacific Lutheran College—Baccalaureate, Sunday morning, May 29; commencement, Sunday afternoon, May 2 address by Governor Arthur B. Langl of Washington.

St. Olaf College—Baccalaureate 10:45 a.m., Sunday, June 5; commenc ment; 4 p.m., Sunday, June 5, addre by Dr. Paul C. Empie, Executive D rector of the National Lutheran Cou cil.

Waldorf College—Baccalaureate, a.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church, Su day, May 29; commencement, 8 p.m Friday, June 3, address by Professo Gerhard Frost of Luther College; la ing of the cornerstone for Tillie Ra musson Hall, immediately followin commencement exercises.

GROUND BROKEN AT PLC

Ground was broken at Pacific Luther an College on May 6 for a new Com mons building. Dr. J. C. K. Preus Executive Director of the ELC Edu cation Department, performed th groundbreaking ceremony.

In his chapel address, Dr. Preus said "A commons building is often looke upon as a purely utilitarian institutio by itself, when in reality it is reall one of the great humanizing factors i the life of a school. This is due to th fact that here students and faculty mingle informally and spend much time in good fellowship and conversa tion."

The $200,000 building, which wil be constructed debt free, will be buil entirely of cedar wood from the state of Washington.

Within the E.L.C.

PERSONS

Sister Marie Weiks, who has been in charge of Bethany Sunset Home in Camrose, Alberta, is now in charge of the new sunset home in Saskatoon, Sask. Her address there is: Lutheran Sunset Home, 1212 Osler St.

The Rev. O. P. Stavaas, former missionary to Madagascar, will late this month return to his home in Ventura, Calif., after having spent the past school year teaching at Luther Theological Seminary, Saskatoon, Sask.

The Rev. Joel Swiggum of Longmont, Colo., has accepted a call from the Board of Home Missions to organize a new church in Thornton, a suburb of Denver, Colo. He will begin this work Aug. 1.

The Rev. Eugene H. Engelstad, chaplain at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama, has accepted a call to Our Saviour's-Stanfold parish, Rice Lake, Wis. He will begin his pastorate there in the middle of July.

The Rev. A. W. Sorensen, Stephen, Minn., has been granted a leave of absence by his parish to participate in a 12-week clinical pastoral training course at Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, beginning June 6.

The Rev. Erling A. Jacobson, chaplain at the Chateauroux Air Depot in France, has upon request given a number of lectures in various parts of Europe and has also traveled extensively in the Near East. He was recently joined in France by his wife and their little daughter.

The Rev. A. M. Karlstad, who in the course of the summer will terminate his pastorate in First Lutheran Church at Poulsbo, Wash., will during the coming school year be doing post graduate work in theology at Biblical Seminary, New York. As earlier announced, he has been awarded a scholarship by the ELC Board of Education.

The Rev. Harlan Norem, assistant pastor at First Lutheran Church in Duluth, will teach at Augustana Academy, Canton, S. Dak. during the coming school year.

Dr. A. N. Rogness, president of Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minn., appeared on the nation-wide CBS-TV program "Lamp Unto My Feet" on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8.

Dr. J. C. K. Preus, ELC director of Christian education, sailed for Norway from New York May 25, accompanied by his wife. He will be spending about three months in Norway in research in the fields of hymnology and liturgics, as the guest of the Norwegian Department of Church and Education. Prior to their leaving Minneapolis their home church, Our Saviour's, commemorated the fiftieth anniversary of Dr. Preus' ordination at its forenoon service May 22. The sermon on that occasion was preached by Dr. T. F. Gullixson, president emeritus of Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, and a close friend of Dr. Preus since student days. Greetings were given by Dr. F. A. Schiotz, ELC president.

FIRST YOUTH DIRECTOR TO BE INSTALLED AT CANADA CONVENTION

On Friday evening, June 10, when the Canadian District in convention at Zion Church, Saskatoon, Sask., installs the Rev. Sidney M. Nelson, former pastor at Frontier, Sask., as full-time youth director for the district, it will be the first time that an ELC district has provided its own youth director. His activity will be supported by the district through a $6,000 Canadian Youth Advance budget, a project which the district will support in addition to its share of the Youth in Action project. Pastor Nelson, who incidentally is a grandson of the late Rev. Daniel Nelson, Sr., pioneer missionary to China, is 27 years old. He is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan and of the Saskatoon Luther Seminary.

Mrs. Helina Nedrud Strom of St. Paul, Minn., widow of the Rev. E. J. Strom, died May 13, almost exactly a year after the death of her husband. Obituary later.

Harold Belgum, assistant executive secretary of the Lutheran Welfare Society of Minnesota, was elected president of the Lutheran Welfare Conference of America at its meeting in Detroit, Michigan, late in April.

The Rev. Eugene V. Holland, pastor at Grand Meadow, Minn., was presented with a gift of money by his two congregations, Grand Meadow Lutheran and Bear Creek Lutheran, on Easter Sunday. The gift was given to the Hollands for the purchase of a new car and trip to California and the San Francisco Convention. Work on the new Grand Meadow Lutheran Church is now in the final stages of completion with the dedication planned for August. First services in the new church were held May 8.

DISTRICTS

Eastern

Eau Claire, Wis. First Lutheran Church had its new communion vessels consecrated Sunday evening, May 1, by the parish pastor, the Rev. G. S. Thompson. These vessels, and also a baptismal bowl, are of sterling silver,

NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT COUNCIL

The thirty men comprising the group pictured above are members of the North Dakota District Council. They recently met in Fargo in preparation of convention of the district scheduled to meet in Williston May 31-June 2. Seated farthest to the left in the second row is Dr. Loyal E. Tallakson, president of the North Dakota District. Next to him is Dr. Casper Nervig, pastor of the church in Williston which will be the host church of the convention.

made by a silversmith in Norway. The vessels are a flagon, a ciborium, a paten, a chalice, and 100 individual chalices. These beautiful sacramental vessels are the gift of Miss Nellie M. Nelvick.

Prairie Farm, Wis. West Akers Church, parish of the Rev. M. C. Thompson, will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary June 12. Guest speakers will be Dr. J. A. Aasgaard and Pastors Marcus Gravdal and W. L. Anderson, the latter a former pastor of the parish.

Southern Minnesota

Edina, Minn. Five months after church work was begun in this Minneapolis suburb, The Shepherd of the Hills Church was formally organized May 1, with a membership of 220. The Rev. J. L. Ranum is the parish pastor.

Westbrook, Minn. Old Westbrook Church, parish of the Rev. B. O. Opdahl, dedicated its new Baldwin electronic organ at its forenoon service May 8. In the evening an organ recital was given by Adrian Hartog of Edgerton, Minn.

Northern Minnesota

Grand Marais, Minn. Bethlehem Church's senior choir gave a concert April 27 at Highland Church, Duluth, (Aug.), and May 8 at Our Saviour's Church (ELC), in Port Arthur, Ontario. The Rev. S. D. Govig is pastor of the Grand Marais parish.

South Central

Elgin, Iowa. Elgin congregation, organized June 28, 1953, had its new church dedicated May 15 by Dr. V. T. Jordahl, president of South Central District. Another guest preacher was the Rev. A. O. Nesset, Saint Paul Park, Minn. The new church seats 230 persons in its nave and contains a parish house section. The Rev. Vance R. Knutsen is pastor of the parish, which is made up of the Elgin congregation and rural Highland Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Sale: Used pews, six 15 ft. long, four 12 ft., one 11 ft., and two 9 ft. long. Saturday and Monday mornings only. Contact Bill Simonson, Spring Valley, Minn.

North Dakota District WMF will meet May 31-June 2 at Williston, N. Dak.—joint sessions with district convention at First Lutheran Church, other sessions at high school auditorium.

Lutheran Vespers, a Sunday evening international religious broadcast, will by June 5 (at 9:30 p.m.) begin to broadcast over Station KOA, Denver, Colo.

Correction. Because of an unfortunate error in information channels the Reverend N. B. Ursin was listed in the 1955 ELC YEARBOOK as deceased. Pastor Ursin, who is retired, lives at Wittenberg, Wisconsin.

O. H. Hove
General Secretary

When vacationing in the Brainerd, Minnesota area, you are invited to attend Sunday worship in Trinity L[utheran] Church, 11th and Oak St[reets] Brainerd. Services at 8:00 and 10:[30] a.m. Kermit O. Graves, pastor.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS FOR PASTORS

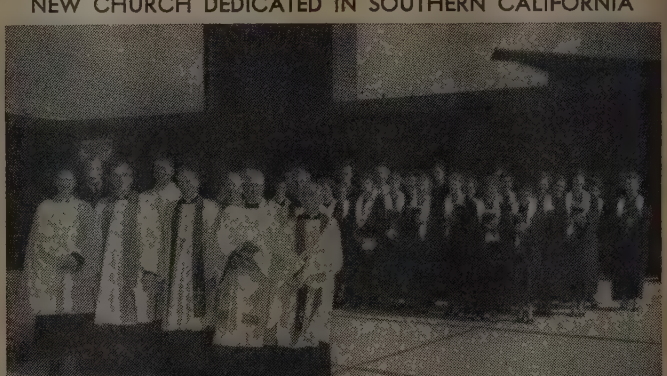
E. T. Anderson, 210 High Street, Chippewa Falls, Wis. 6-14-55

R. W. Halvorson, 3617 21st St. N. E. Puyallup, Wash. 5-6-55

R. H. Redal, 501 N. 4th, Tacoma, Wash. 5-1-55

Richard Vangerud, Bottineau, North Dakota 9-1-55

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



On Sunday afternoon, May 1, Dr. Gaylerd Falde, president of California District, dedicated the new church of Clairemont congregation in San Diego, Calif. He was assisted by the clergymen shown together with him in the accompanying picture. Clairemont Church was organized late in 1953. The church now dedicated consists of two parts: a worship center with parish house facilities, and a school. The congregation is rapidly increasing its membership in the fast growing section of the city which it is serving. Appearing in the picture, in front of the church, are the following clergymen, left to right: Front row: T. A. Thompsen; Clifford O. Larson, pastor loci; Dr. Falde; Dr. N. M. Ylvisaker; Erling R. Jacobsen; back row: Le Roy Elster, Ansle Severtson, L. C. Smith.

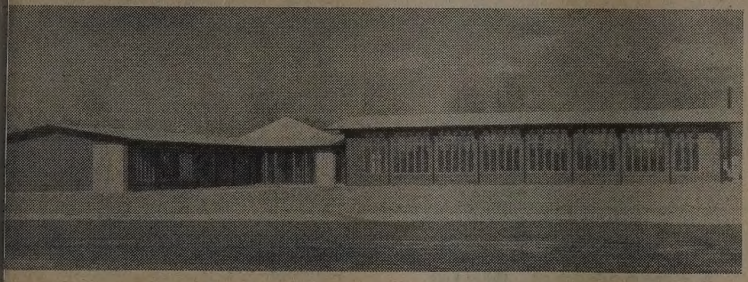
OREGON PARISH DEDICATES NEW CHURCH

Zion Church of Redmond, Oregon, a congregation organized ten years ago, had its new church and parsonage dedicated May 15 by Dr. H. L. Foss, president of the Pacific District. The church, built around the first house of worship erected by the congregation, contains also a parish house section; its interior is finished in knotty pine. The chancel furniture is given and built by the Leonard Lundgren Lumber Company of Bend, Oregon. Building funds were loaned the congregation by the Home Mission Department. Pastor of the Redmond parish is the Rev. Morris Dalton.

CHAPLAIN CRARY RECEIVES PROMOTION

ve at left is the Rev. Judson L. Crary, who was recently promoted to the rank of major orea. Chaplain Crary is now supervisory chaplain at the Inchon Replacement Depot .

HOPE CHURCH IN POWELL, WYOMING



new church building at Powell, Wyoming, was dedicated April 24 with District President hlin officiating. Pastor is the Rev. J. M. Moe.

Do you mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, and, perhaps, neighborhood friends wonder whether your boy or girl, man or woman, way out there in California, down n Texas, up in Washington, or even in Minnesota is attending a Lutheran church? By simply filling out this coupon and sending it in, perhaps a family will be saved for he Church.

I KNOW SOMEONE WHO SHOULD BE IN A LUTHERAN CHURCH

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(ADDRESS)

at _____

(CITY) (STATE)

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FOR SALE

Farms

Farm or summer home. 160 acres in beautiful northwestern Wisconsin lake country. 40 acres in field, balance pasture and timber. Good water, soil and buildings. 3½ mi. from town and Lutheran church. On school, mail and milk route. 415-1A

Homes

Modern house, 4 rooms and bath, full basement, attic could be finished, glazed front porch, 50 ft. front lawn. St. Paul, Ramsey Co., Minnesota. 415-2B

Beautiful home in Williams Bay at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Gas heat, fully insulated, lannon stone fireplace, heated garage, large wooded site, lake privileges. One block from school and ELC church. Perfect for raising a family or retirement. 415-3B

Businesses

Two of the best automobile agencies; complete line of farm machinery and well accepted trucks, shop equipment and parts. Good county seat town in Southern Minnesota farming area. Will sell or lease building. 415-4C

Barber shop for sale with living quarters in back. Only shop in town of 600 population in Northern Minnesota. 415-5C

Seven unit modern motel in thriving city on main highway in best farming and fruit growing district in central Washington. Doing good business. Near Lutheran churches. 415-6C

Up to date cafe in prosperous city for sale at $28,000.00. Located in the heart of Northern Minnesota lake region. 415-7C

Small cafe for sale in town close to good fishing lakes. Northern Minnesota. Price, $4,200.00. 415-8C

Small "Maid Rite" lunch room for sale in Northern Minnesota lake region. Price, $4,-000.00. 415-9C

FOR RENT

All furnished 6 room apartment, low rent, if owner may occupy one room and get two meals per day. Available June 1. 415-10B

Sunny 6 room apartment, 2 bedrooms, hot water, gas heat. Vacant June 15. Southwest Minneapolis, near Lake Calhoun. Several bus lines to town. Church, school and business center close by. Adults preferred. 415-11B

100x45 ft. store space for lease at reasonable rent. On main street of Scandinavian community of 1,700 population, Southern Minnesota. Women's department store previously occupied space. This is a golden business opportunity! 415-12C

WANTED TO RENT

Life time experienced farmer, 32 yrs. old, with 4 children, wants to rent dairy farm on shares, 160 acres or more, with chance to

buy later on. Must be modern, near school. Prefer Southern Minnesota. About November 1, 1955. 415-13A

POSITIONS WANTED

Office work wanted in Minneapolis. Typing, bookkeeping, some shorthand. Have filing and IBM machine experience. Concordia College graduate. 415-14D

Experienced and consecrated parish worker and general office secretary desires a church position. 415-15D

HELP WANTED

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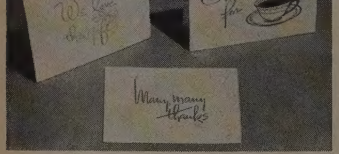

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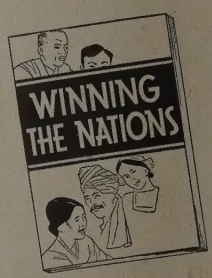

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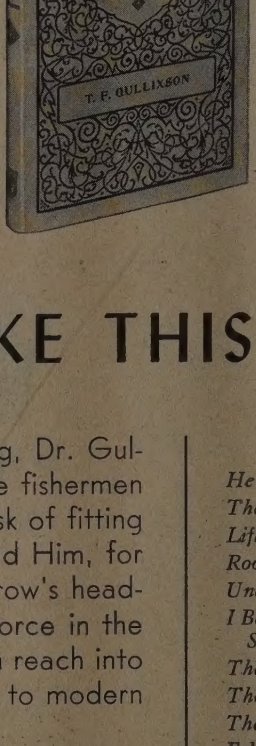

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